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THE WEATHER

Forecast: After the fairly cool spell, warm air is penetrating our region from Turkey. Fair weather, with normal temperatures for this time of year.

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	45	17-25	28
Golan	45	18-27	30
Nahariya	55	21-30	33
Safed	62	17-24	28
Haifa Port	65	17-24	28
Tiberias	35	20-33	34
Nazareth	50	19-27	29
Sula	50	19-30	31
Shomron	52	18-26	28
Tel Aviv	55	21-27	28
B-C Airport	55	17-30	31
Jericho	40	21-38	37
Gaza	68	20-29	29
Beerseba	39	18-30	31
Eilat	21	24-35	36
Tiran Straits	22	26-35	35

Birth

RADLEY — To Howard and Hanne, a son, Oded, Brit Mila at 4 o'clock this afternoon, Thursday at Moadon, Havaatze Hasharon.

ARRIVALS

Aryeh Duzin, Jewish Agency treasurer, on Rosh Hashana eve, from New York, where he met with UJA members to discuss the setting up of an organization to raise money for disadvantaged neighborhoods in Israel.

Nahum Nardi, composer, at 76

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Nahum Nardi, the composer who had over 700 songs and tunes to his credit, died on Tuesday night, aged 76, of a heart attack. Born in Kiev, Ukraine, he began playing the piano at the age of seven, and won a bursary to the local conservatory before he was 10. When he was 12, he appeared at concerts of visiting artists as an accompanist. Specializing in Jewish folk music, he studied in Warsaw and Vienna, and settled here in 1923. His more than 700 works reflect a fusion of Hasidic and oriental music.

Nardi set up a choral studio for girls from the oriental communities, served as musical director in a number of Hebrew theatres, gave piano concerts on stage and radio here and abroad, and won general popularity.

He leaves a daughter, Na'ama, from his first wife, the singer Bracha Zefira. His second wife, Ahuva Zadok, was also a singer.

Petah Tikva school strike ends

Jerusalem Post Reporter

PETAH TIKVA. The Hess and Yessodot schools will finally open today after the parents reached an agreement with Education Minister Zevulun Hammer on study arrangements for seventh graders. The parents had been striking because they objected to sending their seventh graders to the new intermediate school at the Amal Alef vocational high school. They said the school was too far from their homes, required the children to cross dangerous streets, and was not suitable because it was located at a vocational, rather than academic, high school.

Under the agreement, the children will begin their seventh grade studies at their elementary schools while the parents, the municipality and the Education Ministry look for solutions to the intermediate school problem.

DAYAN TO U.S.

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therefore we will be steadfast in our position," the Premier pledged. In another interview earlier this week, Begin said there was "some chance" that Dayan might meet face-to-face with at least one of the Arab foreign ministers who will be holding parallel talks with the American leaders.

Dayan will stop off in Brussels for meetings with Israeli ambassadors stationed in Europe and with Jewish leaders of the main European communities. He will be accompanied by his spokesman, Naftali Lavie, and his political aide, Eli Rubinstein. In the U.S., he will be joined by the director-general of the ministry, Ephraim Eiron, who is proceeding there separately by way of Canada.

THE KNOCK-ON-THE-DOOR campaign for the Israel Cancer Association will be headed this year by Construction and Housing Minister, Gideon Patti.

ITZHAK MEIR (Chma) RABINOWITZ

has passed away.

The funeral will take place at Herzliya Cemetery today, Thursday, September 13, 1977, at 4 p.m.

The Family

MIRIAM SCHWARTZ

there will be a memorial service and unweaving of the tombstone at the Shikun Vitikim Cemetery, Netanya, on Sunday, September 18, 1977, at 4 p.m. We shall meet at the cemetery gate. Our thanks to all in the U.S.A. and Israel who expressed condolences.

Yitzhak Schwartz Family
Philadelphia, U.S.A.

Swiss group levies charges against Israel

U.S.: Allegations of torture not proved

WASHINGTON. — The State Department has cast doubts on the validity of a report by four Swiss alleging torture of Arab terrorists in Israeli prisons.

But it said yesterday that the U.S. has tried to persuade Israel to let the International Red Cross Committee investigate such allegations.

Officials said the efforts — so far unsuccessful — were renewed following torture allegations by the London "Sunday Times" newspaper last June.

The Department spokesman said on Tuesday, in commenting on a report by a Swiss "Human Rights League," that the issue of alleged mistreatment of Arabs was raised at the "highest level" in Israel following similar reports in the past. He said the discussions were continuing.

The spokesman added: "Sufficient independent evidence does not exist on which to make a judgment that there is consistent and officially sanctioned practice of torture."

There has so far, he said, been "no investigation or report of these allegations by an independent human rights organization." He also said: "The U.S. has long made clear its support for efforts by such organizations as the International Red Cross Committee in the occupied territories."

The Swiss "Human Rights League" said on Monday it had recently sent four envoys to the West Bank and they reported that the Israeli authorities there were systematically torturing Arabs and trying to drive them out. The envoys were led by Geneva lawyer Denis Payot, who is currently mediating with the German terrorists who are holding industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer.

The report said: "The extent of the expropriation of Arab homes or land in the West Bank suggests it has a political motive, namely the takeover, pure and simple, of the territories occupied by the Israeli authorities."

The Israeli aim was "to force the Arab inhabitants to leave the West Bank," the report said.

Referring to the situation of Arab detainees, the report said several had gone mad from the effects of torture. Its forms included electric shock treatment to the genitals, the introduction of bottles to the anus or vagina, the ripping off of the nails, forced detention along with dogs in heat and a dozen other methods. (UPI, Reuter)

Post Diplomatic Reporter Adds:

In Jerusalem, officials at the Foreign Ministry said they were not aware that the Swiss group had been here. This seemed to indicate that the group had met with few if any Israeli officials.

The Ministry reiterated Israel's reply, given after the recent "Sunday Times" torture allegations, that there was no systematic ill-treatment and that isolated violators were tried and punished.

Some observers here said the Swiss group was known to have left radical leanings. "This is another attempt to smear Israel," these observers said. "It is part of a campaign to keep the torture allegations alive and eventually have them raised at the UN General Assembly."

The observers recalled recent similar allegations by an "American Lawyers Guild" which also claimed to have conducted an inquiry but turned out to have met with only one Israeli official.

THREE SOVIET-JEWISH PAINTERS:

One free to emigrate, one in limbo, one faces charges

MOSCOW (Reuters).

Soviet authorities have given permission for non-conformist artist Alik Melamid to emigrate to Israel, threatening to break up his partnership of over a decade with another painter, his wife said yesterday.

Melamid, 30, and Vitali Komar, 32, who jointly paint giant pop art canvases, both applied for exit visas to Israel.

Melamid's wife Katya told reporters her husband had received his visa while his fellow artist had not, though there was no definite refusal. Officials at the government visa office, Ovir, said they had received Komar's application later and were still considering it, she said.

Mrs. Melamid, who will accompany her husband, said the two artists wrote to the Supreme Soviet asking for permission to emigrate together.

"We have to leave by October. They said that if we don't leave by October 5 there will be no extension," she said.

The two artists, both from Moscow, created their own art form "Sotsart" (Socialist art) based on Soviet slogans and propaganda posters. Their huge canvases have been shown in exhibitions in the West.

Sotsart is almost a satire of socialist realism, the heroic, optimistic style which has dominated Soviet art for decades.

In 1972, both men were expelled from the Soviet Artists' Union for "distortion of Soviet reality." Outside the union, Soviet artists find it difficult to exhibit or sell their work.

Meanwhile, Soviet authorities on Tuesday released non-conformist artist Oskar Rabin, after giving him a stern warning that he must find officially-approved work or face various charges.

Rabin, 49, is one of the nation's most popular artists. He has a wide

following among diplomats and other foreigners, who are attracted to his Expressionist paintings of urban scenes.

He was arrested by authorities on Monday and taken before a public prosecutor, who gave him a "final warning" that if he did not find work, he would face charges, according to Rabin's son Alexander.

Earlier, Alexander, who also is a painter, reported that his father had been charged with "parasitism" — a catch-all that carries up to a one-year labour-camp sentence and internal exile.

But it was reported late Tuesday that Rabin would face charges under a section of the law forbidding vagrancy and begging if he is not successful in finding an official market for his work.

Rabin was last arrested in September, 1974, after helping to organize an unofficial outdoor art exhibition that was abruptly terminated by police using water cannons and bulldozers.

He served 15 days in jail for "hoarding" after that incident. Alexander Rabin told reporters by telephone his father was warned the charges against him had not been dropped and would be pressed if he did not drop his "parasitical way of life."

Rabin is not allowed to sell his work in the Soviet Union because he is not a member of the official trade union. Since his 1974 arrest, some of his friends have been accepted into the union, but Rabin has remained outside of it. In the past, several painters who worked and sold their paintings independently have been tolerated, but Rabin, a founder-member of a small dissident group set up to monitor Soviet cultural policies, has not been one of them.

The group was not highly active and stopped functioning earlier this year after a warning from the KGB state security police.

High Court spurns plea on Bension

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The High Court on Monday summarily rejected a request by a Jerusalem attorney for an order against Premier Menachem Begin in connection with his recommendation for the release of Yehoshua Bension from prison. Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn did not go into the merits of the case at all, but rejected the plea because it lacked all grounds.

Bension, who was convicted of stealing \$47m. from the now defunct Israel-British Bank, and was sentenced to 12 years in prison, won a remission of sentence from President Ephraim Katzir on the basis of health reports from his private physician and another medical expert who shared Bension's political sympathies. Begin had recommended the remission to Katzir.

The attorney, Yitzhak Barzilai, wanted the Court to order Begin to explain why he had interceded in the

considerations of President Katzir, and also wanted an order to the Prisons Commissioner, to explain why he should not put Bension in Tel Aviv.

In Tel Aviv Labour party chairman Shimon Peres denied that he had ever supported any request to pardon Bension, as some newspapers had claimed, suggesting that he expressed his support in a conversation with Rabbi Yehuda Kook, head of Mercaz Harav Yeshiva in Jerusalem.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek also denied an allegation by Bension's lawyers that he had supported a pardon. Friends of Bension had approached the mayor a year and a half ago, but the mayor did not respond, said a spokesman for Kolek. "He didn't even know Bension."

Two babies saved

RAMAT GAN (Itim). — Two babies were saved from suffocation on Rosh Hashana eve when they were left alone at their home and thick smoke, emanating from pots on the kitchen stove, filled the house.

At about midnight, the Ramat Gan police received a call concerning heavy smoke coming out of a third-storey flat on Rehov Bialik. Police rushed to the scene, broke the door, and found the babies, aged 4 months and 18 months. They immediately rushed them to hospital and, after treatment, the babies were returned home with their parents.

Chicken snatcher

ACRE (Itim). — A Kfar Yasaf resident was given six months' imprisonment, a six month suspended sentence, and a IL500 fine for stealing a chicken.

Omar Mohammed Meri, 23, was brought before the Magistrates Court on Rosh Hashana eve, when he was found guilty of stealing his neighbour's chicken. The judge said he was handing down this stiff punishment because of similar thefts by the accused in the past.

1,000 DUNAMS of land are being prepared by the JNF for a new settlement near the Yotvata desert — Moshav Shitufi Eshkolim.



A hungry cow, near Jerusalem's Neve Yaacov quarter, solves the problem of no garbage collectors during the holiday.

(Yitzhak Elsharg)

U.S. — PALESTINIANS

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tand the U.S. attitude. He maintained that it was not aimed at any one party, although he confirmed that an advance copy was given only to Israel.

When the statement was given to Dinitz by Habib, the ambassador was told that it was in response to numerous queries why the U.S. was paying so much attention to "the Palestine Liberation Organisation." But when the spokesman read the statement to the press, he said that it was being released because of all the U.S. interest in "the Palestinians."

This was a significant shift because Dinitz had complained to Habib that the supposed question that was being originally posed concerned the PLO with the response referring only to Palestinians in general. Nowhere does the statement specifically refer to the PLO, only to Palestinians.

Israel clearly differentiates between the PLO and the Palestinians. Recently, however, President Jimmy Carter and other American officials have used these two designations interchangeably, a development that has bothered Israel.

No one here was really clear as to why the State Department issued the statement at this time. But it was assumed the idea originated in the White House.

The question of Palestinian representation has been the primary stumbling block preventing the convening of the Geneva conference. The Arab states insist on PLO participation, while Israel rejects inclusion of the PLO. The U.S. says that the PLO cannot participate because it rejects Resolution 242.

During his recent swing through the Middle East, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance presented four proposals to break the impasse. According to authoritative sources here, the first option called on the countries originally invited to Geneva in 1973 to attend a new session as separate delegations, with Palestinians permitted to attend as part of the Jordanian group.

The second would have the Arab countries attend as a single group with Palestinians part of the pan-Arab delegation. The third deferred the Palestinian question to the start of a new conference, and the fourth deferred it until later in the conference.

Israel has accepted the first option

provided that the Palestinians in the Jordanian delegation are not known members of the PLO. Israel opposes an "ad hoc" option, insisting that it will deal only with nation states on an individual basis.

Political observers here surmised that the decision to go ahead with the statement was designed largely to spur the parties — especially Israel — to come up with a solution to this procedural question. It is understood here that the U.S. has been urging Israel to accept the second option — the pan-Arab delegation — with the provision that the conference would immediately break into separate working groups on an individual country basis.

As long as the PLO refuses to accept Resolution 242, however, the U.S. does not see how it can participate in the talks, spokesman Carter said on Monday. He conceded that Israel has a veto authority over inclusion of new participants at the talks.

The president of the Zionist Organization of America, Rabbi Joseph Steward, charged that the issuance of the State Department statement "on the eve of the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashana, when the Jewish community is mobilized, is on a par with the Arab attack on Israel on Yom Kippur, four years ago."

The spokesman said that the questions of who represents the Palestinians, how they should be represented at Geneva, and at what stage they should participate are all at "the heart of the discussions" that will take place next week.

The statement, which was welcomed by the PLO and the Arab states, was also seen as a continuation of the Administration's efforts to elicit a change in the PLO position on Resolution 242, despite the organization's rejection of the resolution late last month.

Israeli sources here are upset by these continuing U.S. overtures to the PLO. They are convinced that such statements merely encourage the Arab states in believing that the American attitude toward the PLO is changing and that the U.S. will eventually accept the Arab view and impose it on Israel. Conversely, by making such statements, the U.S. does not give the Arab states any incentive to isolate the PLO and to seek another solution to this delicate question.

Peres slams government for confusion, extremism

TEL AVIV (Itim).

Labour Party Chairman Shimon Peres said over Rosh Hashana that the Likud Government was trying to appear flexible abroad and hard-line at home. This was merely generating political contradictions, he added, because the government's domestic utterances were beamed overseas anyway.

In an Army Radio interview, Peres said that instead of the Likud Government bargaining from a maximalist position, it was merely engaging in extremist pronouncements. Even if there is no confrontation with the U.S. just now, as Premier Menachem Begin claims, the confrontation will surely come, he said.

Peres said he was very concerned by military developments in the Middle East. If Egypt decides to adopt the military option, it will have Libya's vast arsenal at its disposal. Saudi Arabia's military potential was also worrisome, he said, in view of the sophisticated planes and weapons which that country is getting.

He said he was surprised by Begin's declarations about Israeli military involvement in Lebanon, after the Labour government had

long kept a low profile on this topic all the time. He criticized Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon's claims about secret settlements. This was unrealistic, he said.

The Labour party was recovering its strength, Peres said, and it would not split its biggest headache as its financial plight, he believed. Also on the Army Radio, former Labour Premier Golda Meir said that she had reacted to Moshe Dayan's idea about a functional division of the West Bank by telling him: "You want to annex a people, instead of annexing an area." He replied: "I know it hasn't happened anywhere else, but it will happen here." She had replied: "It won't happen here either."

When Dayan served under her premiership, she said, he was always cooperative and utterly loyal. However, he did a number of things which she disapproved of later. Mrs. Meir said, referring to his conduct before and after quitting the Party earlier this year.

"If this Government tries to change the Law of Return in the Knesset," she warned, "it will be a disaster. But if it does not change the Law, I'm sure the Agudat Yisrael will quit the coalition."

Prisoner stabbed at Beersheba jail

BEERSHEBA (Itim).

Another murder attempt occurred at Beersheba Prison, when David Chelnik, 31, from Tel Aviv, was stabbed in the stomach with a sharp instrument.

Chelnik was stabbed on Rosh Hashana eve while lying in his bed in Ward 7, the scene of numerous incidents of violence and revolts by prisoners.

Chelnik told warders that he does not know who stabbed him. He awoke

as he was stabbed and shouted for help, whereupon he was rushed to the prison clinic, and then to hospital. He may be released in two or three days, it was learned.

About three weeks ago, a prisoner on the same ward was also stabbed and about six months ago another was murdered.

Police are investigating the attack on Chelnik. They have still not found out who is responsible for the stabbing of three weeks ago.

Abortion fund

The Jerusalem branch of the Feminist Movement has opened a special fund to finance illegal abortions.

Its motive was the recent ruling of a Tel Aviv Court that a mother could not have an abortion without her husband's consent. The Histaadrut sick fund also requires the husband's signature.

THE ISRAELI NATIONAL basketball squad opens its European championship games in Belgium this evening, meeting Bulgaria. The game will be broadcast live over Israel Radio's Second Programme, starting at 8.30 p.m.

On Saturday Israel plays the Soviet Union and the game will be relayed live over Israel Television at 8.20 p.m.

2,500 cholera cases in the Middle East

AMMAN. — The Middle East cholera epidemic seemed to be spreading in several countries yesterday, as the Moslem world celebrated Id el-Fitr, marking the end of the fasting month of Ramadan.

So far 68 people have died — all in Syria, where the highly infectious disease first broke out.

More than 2,500 cases have been reported as cholera has spread to Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Libya and Iran.

Jordan yesterday reported 28 new cholera cases in the past 24 hours, compared to 47 cases in the previous 24-hour period.

Jordan now has a total of 289 cholera cases, according to reports. In Syria the number of confirmed cases has now topped the 2,200 mark. The Health Ministry said that 750 had been treated and discharged from hospitals.

Iraq's news agency said Teheran newspapers reported 30 cases of cholera in Iran.

The Saudi government reported "only a few cases" and said "unwelcoming precautionary measures" were being taken because of the annual pilgrimage that brings millions of Moslems from around the world to Mecca and other holy places in Saudi Arabia each November.

Lebanon has reported at least 10 cases.

In Geneva yesterday a spokesman for the World Health Organisation (WHO) said the epidemic was caused for undue concern regional governments appear to be taking the right measures. The outbreak of the strain called El Tor, which is not a new type, he added. (UPI)

Post reporter adds:

The Israeli Health Ministry night officially confirmed that Lebanon's border has not been closed to the import of vegetables the current cholera epidemic region. The Ministry also noted that although some products are not being let in, produce, such as eggplants, and fruit, is still being allowed across the border.

An erroneous report that foodstuffs had been banned from Lebanon, based on a Ministry decision to accede to a request for onions to be included in ported vegetables.

No new cases of cholera reported in Israel over the past week. There are still only two reported cases, both in the area.

Israel's desert schemes interest Arab states

By ZVI ARENSTEIN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Most delegates were surprised at how mildly the Arab states acted towards Israel after their initial protest at the UN environmental programme Conference on Desertification in Nairobi, according to Yoel Schechter, who headed Israel's delegation. Schechter has just returned from the conference to his duties as director of the Ben-Gurion University's Applied Research Institute.

The beginning of the conference was marked by the Arabs claiming that Israel was stealing water from Jordan to aid in holding back its deserts, Schechter reported. They also protested a reference to Moslems in Israel's case study, which they saw as a personal attack. Press reports claimed representatives of some 36 countries left the room when Schechter made his introductory speech, but he told The Jerusalem Post that only between 20 and 30 actually walked out.

"In general, the Arab states were interested in what we are doing in holding back the desert, like utilizing saline water, water desalination, increasing water efficiency, and planting industrial desert crops. They know that we're succeeding," Schechter said.

Schechter indicated that on a "personal" and "professional" level, "Israel's delegates were able to exchange views with delegates from some Arab countries. He specifically referred to Egypt and Iraq."

Schechter said that one Arab delegate told him the protests were

"lip service to the general and that Israel would be lucky was the only way the Arabs against Israel. Schechter spoke seven or eight times in his initial speech and each time he stayed and listened."

Schechter related that countries were indignant at Arab protests and that the U.S. will review its policy abiding such conferences. T important step because the big donor to these projects "In general our policy was get involved in arguments Arabs and not to answer questions. We decided to discuss on a construct, and to the subject at hand delegates told us that this effective policy," Schechter said.

Schechter said he was impressed by Egypt's plans for a desert problem. He thought that Sudan's tree programme is ill-conceived on enough experiment, information, and is likely to fail.

The Arab states manager resolution against Israel study, Schechter said that it is a defeat that the Arab only get support from 15 of Third World countries at the conference.

Schechter believes the accomplishment of his goal of desertification problem to tion of world governments



Stokowski

(Car)

Leopold Stokowski dies

LONDON (AP).

Leopold Stokowski, acclaimed as one of the world's greatest conductors, died on Tuesday of a heart attack at his home in Hampshire. He was 85. Stokowski, who last year signed a CBS recording contract that would have had him working until he was 100 years old, died in his sleep, a company spokesman said.

Although married a number of times, he was unmarried at the time of his death. Stokowski, suffering from a virus, died at noon at Nether Wallop, a small village of 610 inhabitants in Hampshire, where he has had a house for several years.

Leopold Anthony Stanislaw Potolski-Stokowski was born in London on April 15, 1892, the son of a Polish cabinet maker and an Irish mother. For over half a century he was an unsurpassed orchestral magician, instantly recognizable with his mane of white hair and expressive tapered hands.

Attacked throughout his eventful career for his musical taste, Stokowski confounded his critics by opening the ears of succeeding generations to the opulence of great music.

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Yadin says DMC won't team up with Alignment

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Yigael Yadin, the leader of the Democratic Movement for Change, rules out any chance of his party forming a closely-knit opposition bloc with the Alignment.

In an interview with the Army radio over the holidays, the chairman of the DMC secretariat said the idea was not practical at all, because the two parties were divided by very serious contradictions, which stood in the way of a joint ideology.

But in another year or two, perhaps, Yadin suggested, a new political alignment might emerge in the middle of the Israeli political spectrum. The present Labour-Magan Alignment might well disintegrate in the future, he said. The Likud, too, was not permanently bonded by any ideological cement. Nor was the DMC so consolidated, for that matter, he said.

The Democratic Movement for Change is united by a fairly broad consensus, Yadin said, but the wings were in danger of breaking off.

Some DMC members may be frustrated, he said. Suddenly, after filling executive and administrative jobs all their lives, they find themselves restricted to parliamentary functions. At the same time, he said, the risk of causing frustration must not persuade the party to do things counter to the principles for which it was established.

"If anybody thinks that the DMC can only exist if it is inside the Government, then it would better not have been established at all," Yadin said.

He admitted that for the past two months he had been living on the horns of a dilemma: whether to enter the coalition to join in the practical work of governing the country

— while waving his principles, or to stay out and carry on campaigning for the principles of the Movement.

Both alternatives entail the risk that the "kiss of death" would put an end to the DMC, he said. However, if a political movement must die, and if the most appropriate death for it must be chosen, then it would do better to die while preserving its principles, and not from any other cause.

Yadin said he regarded Premier Menachem Begin as a decisive leader with a great leadership capacity. But the fundamental question was how the Cabinet as a whole was functioning under his baton. Although there were fewer leaks from the Cabinet chamber, he believed that the present Government was functioning no differently from its predecessor. It has dozens of committees and sub-committees, which make planning and decision-taking impossible, he said. It is not strong enough to give the lead on domestic issues, Yadin added. Begin, in the natural way of things, is mostly wrapped up in foreign problems, and each government department does as it sees fit, just as before.

In the near future, Yadin said, he intended to concentrate on the IDF, with particular reference to the problem of discipline. Wearing a beret or not is only a symptom, he said. The basic problem is one of maintenance, procedures and keeping emergency weapons stores in a state of preparedness.

Yadin, a former Chief of Staff and a member of the Agranat commission which probed the Yom Kippur War setbacks, said: "I hope the IDF has made a great deal of progress since Yom Kippur, but I have an uneasy feeling that there is still a lot to be done in a number of spheres."

Papers 'incite' over Pesahovitz case

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Prime Minister's Office has accused "certain circles and newspapers" of waging "a campaign of falsification and incitement" in connection with the decision not to extradite Reuven Pesahovitz to Switzerland.

The "circles and newspapers" were not named, and the nature of their incitement was not specified. A government statement bulletin on Monday noted that on June 10, 1975, nine MKs from different factions had tabled a private members bill whereby Israeli citizens would only be extradited if they committed their alleged offences abroad before becoming citizens.

The nine MKs were Ehud Olmert,

Menachem Begin, Yigal Hurvitz, Hillel Seidel (Likud); Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, Chalka Grossman, Yosef Sarid (Alignment); Zevulun Hammer (NRP); and Akiva Noff (DMC). (Two of them, however, were in different factions at the time.)

Pesahovitz is wanted by Swiss authorities on charges of fraud involving more than 10 million francs. The Israeli courts declared him extraditable. The Prime Minister, acting as Minister of Justice, declined to order the extradition, which is his statutory right. It was further explained that a law would soon be debated in the Knesset ruling on extradition and that Pesahovitz would probably be tried in Israel instead.

Olmert: Crime links to 'high-ups'

Knesset Member Ehud Olmert, who has been in the headlines for some months because of his campaign against organized crime, has charged that criminal suspects under investigation often get probes halted by phoning "highly placed persons" and asking them to get detectives "off their back."

Speaking in an Army Radio interview over Rosh Hashana, Olmert said he had such information from a large number of senior police officers. "An unnatural pattern of relationships exists in Israel between people directly or indirectly involved in the crime network and personalities who occupy high social

or public positions."

Olmert said that a large team is at present conducting a thoroughgoing investigation into every major detail of his personal life. They were trying to make various incidents "stick" to him, he charged. They were offering money to clients of his law practice to deposit sworn affidavits that Olmert had committed breaches of professional ethics as a lawyer, he said.

"A campaign is under way to liquidate me personally," Olmert said. "The logic of it is that those behind the campaign are getting ready to counter-attack if I should attack them." (Itim)

Suspected policemen stay in custody

The High Court on Monday refused to allow appeals against remand for three policemen charged with theft and breach of trust. They had been ordered held until their trials.

The three, Chief Sergeant Leon Kahane, a demolition expert, and Patrolmen Emanuel Klein and Rubin Buskila, have been charged with pilfering.

Their counsel told Supreme Court Justice Meir Shamgar that the thefts had not been large, and that other policemen involved had been freed on bail.

Shamgar ruled that even though their release might not obstruct the course of justice, their offences were grave enough to justify their being held (Itim).

Security suspect held till trial

TEL AVIV (Itim). — An Israeli photographer who allegedly gave secret information to Egyptian intelligence in the U.S. last year is ordered held in custody until his trial in the Tel Aviv District Court on Monday, and also sent for psychiatric examination at the defence's request.

Reuven Feldman, 30, was charged with giving information about the

IDF to an official in the Egyptian consulate in San Francisco, and trying to continue such contacts after he had been warned by an Israeli security official. Feldman reportedly also wanted to exhibit his photos in Egypt.

Feldman's counsel, Yehoshua Geibard, said that Feldman had received psychiatric treatment in the past.



Dancers celebrate at the dedication of Beyhana ("Mey-Ami B"), a new Nahal outpost in the Samaria mountains, earlier this week. The tent settlement will become an industrial-agricultural village.

STATE COMPTROLLER'S REPORT ON RAMAT HASHARON Pleased poverty with surplus of IL8m.

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMAT HASHARON. — Described in the State Comptroller's report issued today as one of the better established local councils, this suburb of Tel Aviv entered the money lending business in 1975 even while pleading poverty to the Interior Ministry.

According to the report, the local council had a surplus of IL8m. in 1975, because certain projects had not been completed. Consequently, the council decided to loan the money at 34 per cent interest to private individuals and organizations. The loans varied from IL40,000 and IL300,000. One borrower obtained a IL1.7m. loan.

As of December 1976, a total of IL15 m. had been lent. Yet, according to the report, there was no contract between the local council and those who borrowed the money. Nor had the council, or even a council committee, checked out who was to receive the money and the size of the loans.

At the same time, the local council received a grant from the Interior

Ministry to cover a deficit in the regular budget, the report said. But the deficit had arisen because money had been transferred from the regular budget to the budget for special projects, the report noted.

The Comptroller's report also faulted the procedures for handing out council work. For example, the council built a IL6m. school without sending the project out to tender.

The local council, the report found, also displayed an unethical preference for handing out work to council members themselves. For example, the local council gave an engineering company certain planning work. A member of the council owned 50 per cent of the firm.

Another council member is an insurance agent, and a considerable amount of the council's insurance business was handled through him. In one instance, this individual argued on behalf of a certain insurance

proposal before the tenders committee. The Comptroller discovered that the agent who had made the offer, which had been accepted, worked in the same insurance office as the council member.

The report noted that although there had been a tremendous growth in building in Ramat Hasharon since 1970, control over this growth was inadequate. Building permits were granted irrespective of zoning regulations concerning the number of buildings on a lot. The two inspectors in charge of enforcing the building code had no work plan that would ensure coverage of all the building under way.

In one instance, a company built on a lot after being told it could not do so. The council obtained a demolition order which was never carried out. The existence of the order did not prevent the builder from requesting the local building committee for permission to build an illegal third floor to his other illegal floors. The committee granted the request.

Dayanim and Kadis

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet this week appointed Absorption Minister David Levi as one of its two representatives on the Dayanim (Jewish religious court judges: appointments: consultative, and on the Kadis (Moslem religious court judges: appointments: committee).

The second Cabinet representative is the Minister for Religious Affairs.

Two new Arava wells

TEL AVIV. — Two wells started operating in the Arava recently, a spokesman for Mekorot, the national water company, announced this week.

One is at Hatzeva, just south of the Dead Sea. The second is near Ketura on the road to Eilat. They yield 200 to 300 cubic metres per hour, enabling substantial increase in irrigated vegetables for export.

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School achievements 'equal' in reform, control groups

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The scholastic achievement of intermediate school pupils in the Reform programme is equal to that of children attending seventh and eighth grades in elementary schools, research findings released here early this week indicate.

The research by investigators at Tel Aviv and Hebrew Universities will not be published until December, and the summary published this week was prepared by Education Ministry officials, who have been implementing the Reform.

According to the summary, the studies found there were no ethnic conflicts between the children of European and Oriental backgrounds brought together in the intermediate schools.

Teachers questioned by the researchers said they considered social integration even more important than scholastic achievement, but most of the parents interviewed thought achievement was more important.

About 75 per cent of the parents said they preferred the intermediate school to having the children attend

seventh and eighth grade at the elementary school they had previously attended.

Intermediate school teachers were also found to be better educated than their elementary school counterparts, and most were optimistic about the intermediate school succeeding in integration and raising academic standards.

The sample for the studies included 3,200 pupils, 700 teachers and 900 parents. The control group included 900 elementary school (seventh and eighth grade) pupils, 190 seventh and eighth grade teachers in elementary schools, 60 ninth grade teachers in high schools and 145 parents.

These research findings, however, do not change the views of those parents who oppose the intermediate school reform programme or of the Histadrut teachers' union, which also opposes it vigorously.

Though strikes at the Tel Nordau and Hahayl schools ended last week with many of the parents giving in and sending their children to intermediate school at the Gymnasia Herzliya, some are still holding out and having their children taught by volunteers.

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Keys unlock IL80,000 theft

By YOEL DAB
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — A key ring with a bunch of keys and the letter "N" attached gave police the clue to solve a major burglary within a few hours after it was committed on the first day of Rosh Hashana.

Three young suspects were arrested, and police recovered about IL80,000 worth of stolen goods, including IL5,000 in cash.

Worshippers at the municipal youth club, which was converted into a synagogue for the holiday, discovered that a municipal storage

depot and a civil guard post had been broken into. Missing were IL5,000 in cash, the private money of a girl clerk, two revolvers, eight walkie-talkie sets, a stereo set and a microphone. It is believed a door leading to the floor below the club had been left unlocked, providing easy access for the burglars.

Police found the keys at the scene. The police showed them to many people until one recognized them as belonging to a member of another youth club. He was located, questioned and arrested with two of his friends, aged 17 to 20.

Israeli lecturer jeered in Norway

TRONDHEIM, Norway (AP).

Burning an Israeli flag and chanting slogans and militant songs, some 20 Marxist-Leninist extremists on Monday prevented an Israeli professor from delivering a guest lecture at the university here, it was reported yesterday.

The professor, Dr. Shevach Eden of Kibbutz Gnegar, had been invited to Norway to lecture at the Universities of Oslo, Bergen and Trondheim on how cultural background is leading to change in education systems in Israel.

His lectures in Oslo and Bergen were delivered without incidents. When he arrived in the lecture hall at Trondheim University, however, he was booed and denounced as an "official representative of that racist state Israel," the Trondheim daily (Aftenposten) wrote.

Eden persistently tried to start his lecture, but he was repeatedly booed and jeered by the militants. He later tried to hold a discussion with the extremists on the political background of their action, but this only provoked louder jeers.

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'Golda' is \$1m. NY hit even before it opens

BALTIMORE (AP). — Golda Meir is an "interesting, tough, complex old gal" whose autobiography, "My Life," has enough material for 10 plays, says playwright William Gibson.

But when he sat down to write a drama about the former prime minister, "The only play I was interested in writing was a play that said as much for Israel as it did for Golda," he said on Tuesday.

That play, "Golda," premiered on Monday at the Morris M. Mechanic Theatre with Anne Baneroff in the title role. From Baltimore, it goes to Boston before opening in New York on November 6.

Joe Wolfhandler, the press representative for "Golda," said a sellout is expected for the Baltimore

run. In New York, the advance ticket sales are approaching \$1m., he said.

"This woman has a fantastic appeal — there's no question about it," Wolfhandler added.

The play, which was completed last January, uses film and slides. It is not chronological, and begins and ends with the 1973 Yom Kippur War. In between, "it moves in and out of many other years, times and places," Gibson said.

Gibson said that the play is almost completely factual, except for a few "dramatic accents." He estimated that about 20 per cent of the dialogue "is stuff that people have said or written and the rest of it is mine."

Mrs. Meir approved an outline of the play.

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20 terrorist blasts in 3 Mexican cities

MEXICO CITY (AP). — A score of bombs exploded within a three-hour period in three Mexican cities early yesterday, causing severe damage and injuring at least three persons, including a suspect, police said. Several other bombs were deactivated.

The bombs exploded in Mexico City, Guadalajara — the second largest city — and Oaxaca in the south.

Officials said it was the worst such occurrence in decades. Police in Oaxaca said a pamphlet found in the center of town attributed the bombings to a terrorist group known as the "Union of the People."

Police said most of the bombs exploded in government offices, department stores or the offices of American companies. They described the devices as dynamite sticks and incendiary devices activated by timing mechanisms.

In Mexico City, three bombs exploded and four more were deactivated by experts from the police and army.

One of the bombs caused extensive damage in the white marble building housing the federal justice tribunal. Another exploded at the General Motors assembly plant and the third in the headquarters of the confederation of chambers of commerce.

In Guadalajara, 11 bombs were planted, of which seven exploded and four were deactivated. One bomb exploded in a department store, setting off a large fire. Police said damage was extensive.

One man was arrested after a bomb exploded in a Woolworth store in Guadalajara. Police said the man was injured by the blast.

Other blasts hit the government palace, bank offices, the federal electric commission office and the Sears Roebuck store.

In Oaxaca, police said that at least eight bombs exploded in government offices and in businesses, including an American Motors dealership. There were no reports of injuries. A police spokesman said the offices of the Agrarian Reform Ministry and of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party were damaged.

The explosions came the day after police reported that four men and a youth were kidnapped in two small towns near Mexico City, and the wife of one of the men was killed by his abductors.

A police official said he had "reason to suspect" the abductions were the work of the September 23rd Communist League, a terrorist group.

The first kidnapping was in Cuatitlan, 30 km. north of the capital. Police said a group of heavily armed men opened fire on a car carrying Dr. Pedro Padilla, 45, and Dr. Juan Gusman Calderon, 40.

Dr. Padilla's wife was killed by a shot in the back, and her 18-month-old baby was left behind in the car. Officials said the terrorists apparently needed doctors to tend guerrillas wounded in a gun battle with police.

A few hours later, 10 armed men raided a private home in Tlaxiapa and kidnapped brothers Carlos and Silvano Gusman Cruz and a teen-age friend, Mariano Olivas. A detective said there was evidence of "political abduction."

Out on bail, Bhutto back in elections

LAHORE (AP). — Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Pakistan's best known politician, has bounced back into the election campaign after 10 days in jail on a murder conspiracy charge.

Bhutto, who was prime minister for 5½ years until the army deposed him on July 5, was released on \$15,000 bail by the Lahore High Court on Tuesday. He immediately summoned other leaders of his Pakistan People's Party to Lahore to resume planning of the campaign for the national election the army has promised to hold on October 18.

Bhutto was surrounded by a throng of cheering supporters and autograph seekers inside and outside the courthouse after his release.

"Without doubt, I could swing the polls more than I did in 1970 if there were no interference, if there were fair play and truly a neutral basis," the 49-year-old political leader told reporters.

He repeated earlier charges that General Mohammed Zia ul Haq and his military regime seem to favour his opponents in the nine-party Pakistan National Alliance.

Zia, in an interview last week called Bhutto an "evil genius" and said, "On the face of the evidence he stands a very good chance to be convicted." But "you can't say Bhutto is finished," he added.

Bhutto was jailed by another military strongman, President Mohammed Ayub Khan, in 1968, but rioting by his supporters forced Ayub to release him. The riots continued, and General Mohammed Yahya Khan replaced Ayub. Bhutto's party won a majority of the National Assembly seats for West Pakistan in 1970, and Bhutto took over the government in late 1971, when the military regime collapsed after Pakistan's defeat in the Bangladesh war with India.



West Germans wait outside Chancellery on Sunday to get news about kidnapped industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer. Border Police tank guards entrance in the background.

Bonn warned of Schleyer's death, more kidnappings

BONN (UPI). — A psychological adviser to the Federal Border Defence Force's anti-terrorist unit has warned that if the government rebuffs the demands of the kidnappers of industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer, they will kill their hostage and abduct another in about a month.

Reiner Zeller, the adviser, said in a magazine interview that he is convinced the government can stall the kidnappers for only about 10 days. The terrorists styling themselves the "Siegfried Hauser Commando" of the Red Army Faction killed four men and kidnapped Schleyer, chairman of the employers' association and of the federation of industry, nine days ago.

Apparently following the advice of Zeller and other experts who share his view, the federal border defence force piled barbed wire barriers around the homes of a number of top-ranking politicians hitherto only protected by a sentry at the en-

trances to their homes, and sand-bagged the sentry boxes themselves. The government ignored a fifth deadline of Tuesday midnight set by the kidnappers for releasing 11 other terrorists from prison and continued a dialogue with them through Geneva lawyer Denis Payot, acting as intermediary since last Friday.

The government said late Tuesday it had asked Payot to relay certain replies from the 11 to the kidnappers. An informed source said the prisoners had been asked to say where they wished to go if the government released them, and had replied that South Yemen was their first choice, North Korea their second. Five terrorists released by the government in return for a guerrilla hostage in March, 1975, were accepted by South Yemen.

Rolling Stone Jagger 'wouldn't go near' Trudeau's wife

LONDON (UPI). — Rolling Stone Mick Jagger — whose name was linked with Margaret Trudeau, wife of Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, in newspaper headlines earlier this year — said yesterday he "wouldn't go near her with a barge pole."

"I think she was just a very sick girl in search of something," he told the London newspaper the "Evening Standard." Jagger said it "would have been difficult to kick her out" of the Rolling Stone concert where rumors of a Jagger-Trudeau liaison originated. "She had six security men with two guns each. No thank you. She was a very determined young lady... er... older woman," he said.

50,000 beggars seek alms in Karachi

KARACHI (Reuters). — About 50,000 beggars, most of them women with children in their arms, came in throngs to Karachi to seek alms during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, the English-language newspaper "Dawn" said here yesterday.

Quoting a preliminary survey made by a social worker, "Dawn" said the beggars invaded the city of 5 million to exploit the "lucrative market for alms." But no action could be taken under the anti-vagrancy act against such a large number of them, it added.

SPUTNIK. — The Soviet Union this week launched two more satellites in its Cosmos series. Cosmos 960 and 961 were launched into orbit on Tuesday.

Shah's twin sister unhurt in ambush

JUAN-LES-PINS (Reuters). — The French Riviera's star detective, Commissioner Pierre Grego, yesterday took charge of the hunt for the gunmen who ambushed the Shah of Iran's twin sister, Princess Ashraf Pahlavi, on Tuesday.

Commissioner Grego is deputy head of the regional crime squad based in Marseilles. He played a leading role in smashing the "French Connection" heroin ring in the early seventies.

Police said they were keeping an open mind about motives for the attack on the princess's Rolls Royce as she returned to her seaside villa from the Cannes casino.

Princess Ashraf was unhurt, but her lady-in-waiting, Ferozshah Akbar, 43, an Iranian woman of French origin, was killed when the gunmen opened up at point-blank range. Akbar's hand and arm in the car was hit in the hand and arm.

The abandoned blue Peugeot 504 get-away car was traced to a Peugeot showroom in Nice, from where it was stolen last week.

The 57-year-old princess's villa was under close police guard. The

Iranian ambassador in Paris arrived at the house with men who were deacons, diplomats. Informed sources said Iranian security men were French police in a capacity — the only way police can legally operate in France. Despite the lack of any indication the motive for the attack was political, the sources said political seemed the most likely.

Malagasy closes all consulates abroad

NAIROBI (AP). — The 1 consul-general here, T. R. Jioa, yesterday announced closure of all his country's consulates abroad as part of economic drive by the 1 government.

Ramamonjisoa said he had decided on the move in order to increase international credit for a new policy. The diplomats replaced by honorary "which are not costly."

Britain to ask UN support for new Rhodesia plan

LONDON. — Britain plans soon to ask the UN Security Council to appoint a representative to work with British Resident Commissioner-designate Lord Carver on plans for a transitional administration in Rhodesia before independence, the Foreign Office said yesterday.

The Anglo-American plan for handover of power to a black majority government called for appointment of a UN representative "to enter into discussions before the transition period with the British resident commissioner-designate and with all the parties with a view to establishing in detail the respective roles of all the forces in Rhodesia." The plan proposed a six months transitional period before elections and handover of power to a black

government. British officials said the appoint a representative made to the Security Council.

The Foreign Office again commented on South Africa that Britain may support sanctions against South Africa are not faced at the moment. Any comment on South Africa situation," the spokesman said.

South African Foreign Minister, P. W. Botha said yesterday that he is seeking clarification from Britain following unwelcome warnings from South leaders that the country effect, brace itself for a

Botha said: "In the light of the extremely delicate phase reached in regard to the settlement proposals and extent South Africa in question simply does sense to me."

Botha said on Tuesday received a British assurance does not make anti-statements on "hy situations" such as a possible

In Lusaka, Zambia, militant Patriotic Front rejected aspects of Anglo-proposals for a transfer of black majority government. The plan could form the further negotiations settlement to the 11 Rhodesia war.

The Patriotic Front's leadership of Joshua Nkomo Robert Mugabe said in released statements and Maputo, Mozambique was would go on until "dependence" was achieved UPI

"Coke" is king 1

NEW YORK (AP). — Steroids, cocaine, and other drugs have been unable to halt the flow into New York City, narcotics has been won "Not by us, but by peddlers." Johnson said cocaine is his biggest headache a heroin trade is falling because of the low quality now entering the city. He 80 tons of cocaine is being into the city each year.

Jijiga seized, Somalis claim

NAIROBI. — Somali-backed insurgents claim that the battle for the strategic outpost of Jijiga is over, with enemy forces driven out of the city, as Ethiopia accused Somalia of internationalizing the Ogaden conflict.

The Somali claim was made over Mogadishu radio and monitored here.

A Western Somali Liberation Front (WSLF) communiqué broadcast by the radio said Jijiga, on the outskirts of the Ahmar mountain range, was "liberated" and heavy fighting had shifted to Harar, 85 kms. to the west.

The Ethiopians claim that fierce fighting continues for Jijiga, where Ethiopian armoured units and a radar station are located.

The WSLF said that in clashes on Monday at Hado, near Jijiga, 450 of the enemy were killed and 10 tanks destroyed. It said that the major city of Harar was now under siege.

Somali President Siad Barre arrived in Cairo yesterday after a one-day visit to Saudi Arabia. Barre is seeking greater support from moderate Arab countries in his war with Ethiopian forces in the Ogaden region.

The agency said Barre, making his second visit in two weeks to Cairo, was met by Vice-President Hosni Mubarak and was expected to meet later with President Anwar Sadat.

In Beirut, the daily "An-Nahar" said that five Ethiopian officers who defected to Sudan two weeks ago reported that Ethiopian armed forces are badly divided and consider the war lost. "The newspaper," quoting what it termed "reliable sources," said the five officers were working at a naval base in the town of Massouh on the Red Sea. (AP, UPI)

Faulty space ship blown up

CAPE CANAVERAL (AP). — A safety officer blew up a European Space Agency communications satellite shortly after liftoff on Tuesday night after a structural defect caused a fiery explosion on board, space officials said.

A U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration spokesman said the Delta rocket carrying the orbital test satellite was breaking up because of a structural failure when a destruct signal was sent.

He said the destruct signal is used when a problem occurs aboard during a launch in order to break large chunks of debris into smaller pieces. The explosion was visible for miles as the satellite and rocket were torn apart over the Atlantic Ocean, about 11km. up and 20 km. downrange.

A ball of fire mushroomed outward, then smaller pieces could be seen flickering with flame as they plummeted toward the ocean.

An Air Force spokesman said all debris from the rocket fell into the ocean, clear of the cape. There were no boats in the area, he said. One chunk, a solid-rocket motor, was reported to be 6 metres long and nearly a metre in diameter.

The explosion occurred about one minute after the 7:31 p.m. launch (1:31 a.m. Wednesday in Israel).

The 1,545-pound satellite, owned by the European space agency, was to have been the precursor of a network of four operational communications satellites to be orbited in the 1980s.

It was built by industries in 10 European countries: Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, the U.K. and Spain.

Officials from the European Space Agency were despondent about the failure of the mission.

19 dead, 1,200 homeless in Kansas City flood

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI (AP). — The flood waters receded yesterday as swiftly as they rose, leaving at least 19 dead, 1,200 homeless and property damage estimated at more than \$200 million. The take of at least 15 persons still was unknown.

The awful legacy of 12 inches of rain in 24 hours on Monday was devastating in the expensive shops of the city's Country Club Plaza, tedious cleanup along Brush Creek and the Blue River, and ravaged farm lands to the north and east.

Torrential rains swelled creeks and streams into raging flood waters on Tuesday night, as cars and mobile

homes swirled through the flooded streets.

A gas explosion ripped through three flooded buildings on the west side of a large shopping centre. In the rural areas north of Kansas City, farmers reported that their fields, parched by drought until mid-summer, were filled with up to a metre of water in the savage downpour.

Although the intensity of the storm had subsided somewhat by Tuesday morning, light rains continued to fall.

Widespread damage was reported to the telephone and power networks.

Cross-channel bread for Britons

LONDON. — Supermarket boss Melvyn Cox shipped 11,000 loaves of bread across the English channel from Belgium early yesterday to beat a strike by bakers that has put England and Wales on the breadline.

Other retailers have imported bread from Europe since 57,000 members of the Bakery, Food and Allied Workers' Union launched their strike over a pay dispute six days ago and shut down the major bakery chains.

But Cox's is the biggest shipment reported so far. Four thousand independent outlets not involved in the dispute are continuing to bake in a round-the-clock effort, but face increasing dif-

ficulties as flour supplies dwindle.

"I'll be selling them at cost," Cox said. "I don't want to make anything out of it — just cover my expenses for getting the loaves here."

Cox, 31-year-old managing director of the Astromarket chain based at Ilford, northeast of London, estimated the loaves will sell at 30 pence (about 15.20), the maximum permitted by government price regulations.

Meanwhile, Britain's bread strike leaders agreed yesterday to accept mediation in their five-day-old dispute, but their chief said the nation's 57,000 striking bakery workers would not go back to work until their demands are met.

'None of your damned business' U.S. publishers spurned in bid to aid dissidents

MOSCOW (UPI). — Soviet publishing officials rejected attempts by American exhibitors at the first Moscow International Book Fair to intervene on behalf of harassed and imprisoned Soviet dissident writers, an American spokesman said yesterday.

"It was asserted that it was none of our damned business," Winthrop Knowlton, president of Harper and Row, told a news conference.

But the exchange over Soviet dissidents appeared to be one of the few sour notes at the nine-day fair, which ended yesterday.

Knowlton, chairman of the International Freedom to Publish Committees of both the American and International Publishers Associations, said Western publishers found that in general the fair was "extremely free."

"There was less censorship than we expected," Knowlton said. He said that of an estimated 50,000 books on display, Soviet customs inspectors impounded only 40 to 50 plus several catalogues.

"Of course," he said, "all of us exercised some self-restraint before we left."

Knowlton said he and other American publishers raised the dissident question repeatedly at public meetings and in private conversations with Soviet officials, including Boris Stukalin, chairman of the state publishing committee.

In what he described as "a long, candid discussion" with Stukalin, Knowlton said he brought up the case of Ukrainian poet, critic and translator Mikola Rudenko, sentenced

to seven years in labour camp for his human rights activities, and Anatoly Marchenko, exiled in Siberia, as well as harassment of dissidents Andrei Sakharov, Lev Kopelev, Vladimir Volynich and Alexander Zinoviev.

Stukalin and other Soviet officials gave a "standard response," Knowlton said.

"In the first place," he said, "there has been some professed ignorance about who some of the individuals are. In the second place, it is asserted that these individuals are not good writers. Third, it is asserted that they are anti-Soviet slanderers. Fourth, it is asserted that the publishing officials with whom we talked, including Mr. Stukalin, have absolutely nothing to do with the treatment of these writers."

"And fifth, it was asserted that it was none of our damned business," Knowlton said.

New Beirut envoy to UN

BEIRUT (AP). — Chassan Tuclni, publisher of Beirut's leading independent newspaper, "An Nahar," has been appointed Lebanon's chief delegate to the UN, the government announced yesterday. He replaces Edward Ghorra.

TRADE. — Britain had a balance of payments surplus of £316m. (£15,435m.) on its current account in August compared with a deficit of £256m. (£12,800m.) in July, the Treasury said yesterday.

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The Mexican National Folklore troupe, comprising 50 dancers and musicians, are appearing here for two weeks, with a gala premiere at the Mann Auditorium tonight to celebrate Mexican Independence Day. They will also be appearing next week at the Jerusalem Theatre, and touring various settlements and smaller towns throughout the country. Their visit here is under the patronage of the Mexican Ambassador and of the President, Professor Ephraim Katzir. Their programme is based on the traditional songs and dances of the various regions of Mexico, each with its own individual ethnic character: Chiapas, Zacatecas, Campeche, Sonasantiquos, Tabasco, Serepata and Jalisco.

Light unto the nations

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH / Jerusalem Post Reporter

ANY EMPLOYEES are not normally expected to go about fulfilling biblical prophecies; but Jacques Stroumsa, director of Jerusalem's lighting department, has just returned from Quito, the capital of Ecuador, where he gave literal meaning to Isaiah's vision of Israel as a "light unto the nations."

He spent a month supervising the floodlighting of one of that city's significant colonial convents and naming the floodlighting of others, allowing him back to Jerusalem as high praise from the Organization of American States (OAS) and suggestions that he continue to bring light to the cultural heritage of other countries in Latin America.

Stroumsa is the man responsible for the floodlighting of the OAS City Hall and other architectural structures in Jerusalem. He was named by the mayor of Quito, Shlomo Duran-Ballen during his visits as a member of the Jerusalem Committee, Mayor Teddy Kollek's international advisory body. When a floodlighting programme was decided upon for Quito under OAS auspices, Senior Duran-Ballen suggested that Jerusalem's expert be asked to do the job.

The request was duly submitted

through the Israel Foreign Ministry, and Stroumsa was given permission by the Jerusalem Municipality to fly to Quito in June.

"I found the most beautiful churches in the world," he said. They were lost to the world, however, every time night fell.

Stroumsa had intended to draw up an overall plan for the floodlighting of monuments during his stay. But the authorities urged him actually to execute at least one project. The La Merced convent was put at his disposal for the purpose.

He was given a technician and four labourers, and found a collection of projectors which the city had received in 1970, on the 150th anniversary of its independence, but never used.

STROUMSA and his men put in 15 days of intensive work from early morning to night. He placed lights in the crevices of the wall, focused others to bring out the architectural features of the main tower, had broken windows replaced with coloured glass. He put lights inside the windows, focused green spotlights to bring out the original colour on sections of the building.

When he telephoned the mayor and

invited him to push the button that would illuminate the entire convent, "he couldn't believe it had been done in 12 days."

Before he left Quito, Stroumsa drew up plans for illuminating two other convents. During his final nights, he saw lines of cars heading for a nearby hill that offers a dramatic view of La Merced.

WHEN HE STOPPED OFF in OAS headquarters in Washington on his way back to Jerusalem, Stroumsa was asked to take on similar assignments in Guatemala, Peru and other countries. He agreed to consider proposals at a later date.

Communication is no problem for Stroumsa in Latin America. He was born in Salonika, and Spanish is one of the eight languages he speaks. During World War II, he spent two years in Auschwitz. He lived in Paris from 1945 until he immigrated to Israel following the Six Day War.

A few years ago, the Jerusalem Municipality gave him a year's leave of absence to study for a doctorate at the University of Liege. The 55-year-old expert will travel there again soon to defend his thesis on "the rationalization of lighting of a big city."

More stretches for fun and fitness

FIGURE IT OUT / Judie Oron

LET'S the first thing you do in the morning? Reach for the coffee or milk bread into the toaster? When I was a child, you probably started your day with a long, luxurious stretch.

That stretch certainly feels relaxing and can be used for a vigorous and graceful workout, as a useful way to begin the day. A systematic stretch is also an effective way to turn a natural instinct to a positive figure benefit.

The stretch workout is a long one, but the exercises are good for all of you, especially effective in firming and reducing the waist and hips. If you are a recent convert to relaxing, begin with these exercises given here and work up slowly until the exercises from my last column plus the ones in my next column.

Stand on flat feet and relax your body. Slowly raise your hands

over your head, taking a deep slow breath. When you have inhaled as much as you can, hold your breath and stretch your entire body upward as hard as you can for a few seconds.

Keep your heels on the floor and stretch your hands (fingers included) especially hard. Relax your entire body, dropping your arms and bending at the waist, bending your knees slightly and exhaling slowly. Repeat once or twice.

2. Stand with your feet about 30cm. apart and your left arm raised above your head. Stretch your left arm upward toward the ceiling, pressing your left shoulder downward at the same time. Now bend to the right and downward twice, with your left arm still above your head. Straighten up and drop your left arm to your side. Repeat the exercise with the right arm, then repeat twice more.

3. Stand with your feet about 45

cm. apart. Shift your weight to your left leg, bend your left knee, and bend forward and down to touch your left foot with your right hand. At the same time, raise your left hand and stretch it over your head, look up and to the left, following the direction of your left hand. Stretch and then shift your weight to the right foot, repeating the exercise on the right side. Repeat three or four times.

4. Still standing with your feet about 45 cm. apart, clasp your hands in front of you and above your head. Stretch upward and then bend downward to the level of your waist, stretching from the waist forward and arching your back slightly like a cat. Now bend all the way down until your hands touch the floor. Grasp your ankles, and pull your upper body downward (gently at first, only gradually increasing the pressure). Relax and return to starting position. Repeat.

BARGAINING WITH BEGIN

DMC chairman YIGAL YADIN talks with MARK SEGAL about the unfruitful coalition talks between his party and the Likud.

"THE DEMOCRATIC Movement for Change has sought to keep faith with its 210,000 voters," says the party's founder and chairman, Professor Yigael Yadin. And that explains his refusal to be propelled into the Likud coalition by some of his colleagues.

Interviewed by *The Jerusalem Post*, Yadin admitted having heard the joke about Premier Begin wanting the DMC in on its knees (or on the basis of 242 — two ministers, two deputies and on all fours). "Now they say he wants us crawling," Yadin observed with a smile.

"Begin is a very shrewd politician, in addition to being a statesman," he said. Yadin believes that the Prime Minister's strategy was to form his government in two stages: firstly, to secure his foreign policy base by settling with the NRP and Aguda, and only afterwards to co-opt the DMC in order to ensure broader support and greater responsibility.

When we asked whether, from the start, Begin never wanted the DMC in his government because its ministers might not enjoy his one-man show, Yadin quoted a Likud minister to the effect that "Begin wants you in despite the difficulties."

Yadin is inclined to believe that Begin might have accepted the initial demands of the DMC, but when it came to choosing between it and the religious parties, he opted for the latter. "If Begin has to choose, it will be the religious. They know it and play their cards accordingly," the professor said sadly, declaring that this was brought home to him time and again during two-and-a-half months of coalition negotiations.

What upset him was how the Likud had abandoned its commitment to introduce genuine electoral reform, after voting for it two months before the May elections.

Yadin was ready to concede that the DMC did not conduct the negotiations as well as it could have. And he tried to explain his dilemma: "I knew that the voters' verdict was for us to do our best to join the government. I was ready to compromise — albeit unwillingly — on foreign policy. Not that one can expect Begin ever to compromise in this field."

"Why is it that others cling to their credos, and we are expected to sacrifice ours?" he asked.

AS TO THE Begin Government's

performance, Yadin approves of some of its measures on the economic front, but otherwise notes how it has lapsed into procrastination. "They have copied the old system, with each minister a monarch, the main reason for the failure of the previous government," he holds.

He regards the Begin Government's recommendation to free convicted banker Yehoshua Bension from prison as its "biggest mistake so far," but does not accept the notion that it marks the end of the Begin "honeymoon period." He quoted from Justice Sussman, on the decision to release Bension on grounds of illness, that this might be interpreted as *carte blanche* for sick people to break the law. However, said Yadin, his final view would be influenced by the seriousness of Bension's illness.

The DMC leader found Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon's statement on unpublicized settlements — as quoted by "Maariv" — to be "amazing." "If it is true, then the question is why do we have to establish settlements secretly? To hide them from the British Mandate? It is unacceptable that the Government should hide things from the Knesset. If the Government decides to establish a settlement, the actual implementation might of necessity be a secret; but to have a plan based on a secret is quite unheard of."

Yadin had an explanation for Sharon's "open-mouth policy." "He wished to satisfy Gush Emunim and at the same time make it more difficult for the DMC to join the Government."

WHY DID Begin ask to see Yadin last week?

"Reluctant as Begin is, he wants us in, but without giving us anything," said the professor. "He sought to interfere in our internal party debate; and he indulged in a public-relations exercise for home and Diaspora consumption."

Developing the theme of Begin as "the reluctant lover" in his approach to the DMC, Yadin suggested that the Prime Minister knows he cannot really rely on the religious parties to keep his government going, and with profound unwillingness is attempting to bring the DMC in.

Yadin is sufficiently new at politics to refuse to accept the cynical view that party com-



mitments are so much hot air on the morrow of polling day. At last Wednesday night's DMC Council meeting, he warned his colleagues about Begin's tactics to split their ranks, and he "hoped and prayed" they would not work.

A third of the council members wished to review the decision not to join the coalition. Yadin explained his party's divisions: the group he supported did not wish to go in without being absolutely sure it could implement its programme; another segment objected to Begin's foreign policy; while a third group wished to join because that's what it believed the party was all about.

Yadin mentioned "that fine group of organizers and executives" favouring the coalition, with such names as Meir Amit, MK, Meir Zorea, MK and Meir de Shalit.

THE DMC leader revealed that during the coalition talks he had not been persuaded that there was any real wish to change established government procedure, such as cutting out the burdensome cabinet committee structure. He also discerned that Begin was not really willing to keep to his commitment to invest the deputy premier with real powers as the supreme authority in matters related to social welfare, but wanted him as a glorified committee chairman. As to electoral reform, Begin always gave in to the National Religious Party, Yadin stressed.

When they parted last week, he

told Begin that he had been offered nothing new. Begin did not ask for a further meeting, but spoke vaguely of talking over the phone, within a week to fortnight. "It was then that I realized he only sought to stir up our internal discussions," Yadin remarked.

As for Begin's deadline: "It has shifted on three occasions already. Although now he says he will allocate the portfolios between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur."

The DMC's absolute minimum demands are: electoral reform involving 16 constituencies; the Health Ministry to be transferred immediately to a newly-created Ministry of Social Betterment; the deputy premier's role to be defined in writing (and his powers should be real ones; he would not be merely a coordinator but would determine priorities in the ministries he deals with). A fourth (and novel) demand is for the transference of the Broadcasting Authority back under the aegis of the deputy premier and away from the Education Minister, as in the days of Yigal Allon.

Yes, Professor Yadin does yearn for his archaeological studies and for his books. No, he has not regretted going into politics, especially as the "revival" that began on May 17 — "when the monarchy was brought down" — had yet to be worked out fully. "What sort of system will emerge eventually remains to be seen."

Yadin repeated firmly: "Begin closed the door on us; we have yet to see whether he has locked it."

ABRIDGED ACCOUNTS OF PHOENIX ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED (LONDON)

A. ACCOUNTS OF HEAD OFFICE

ABRIDGED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31.12.1976

	£	Preceding Year	£	Preceding Year
Capital and Reserves	90,400,000	88,200,000	Investments	635,800,000
Life Assurance Fund	301,000,000	275,300,000	Fixed Assets	81,500,000
General Insurance Funds	182,600,000	189,100,000	Other Assets	189,000,000
Outstanding Claims	182,600,000	147,900,000		
Other Liabilities	159,300,000	116,000,000		
	916,100,000	759,500,000		916,100,000
				759,500,000

PARTICULARS CONCERNING INSURANCE BUSINESS AND PROFITS FOR THE YEAR 1976

	£	Preceding Year	£
Premiums in Life Assurance	50,800,000	42,800,000	
Premiums in General Insurance	323,400,000	245,500,000	
Profit in Life Assurance	1,800,000	1,100,000	
Loss in General Insurance	9,400,000	7,300,000	
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	32,100,000	23,300,000	
Profit before Appropriations	24,500,000	18,200,000	

B. ISRAEL BUSINESS

INSURANCE BUSINESS AND PROFITS FOR THE YEAR 1976

	IL	Preceding Year	IL
Premiums and Registration Fees in General Insurance	5,414,950	8,958,335	
Profit (Loss) in General Insurance	31,406	(34,685)	
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	(701,136)	(306,356)	
Net Loss	669,730	340,941	

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES IN ISRAEL AS AT 31.12.1976

	IL	Preceding Year	IL
Liabilities in Israel	6,028,000	5,668,000	
Approved Investments in Israel	4,943,000	5,561,000	
Deficit	1,085,000	2,107,000	
Unapproved Investments in Israel	888,000	915,000	

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Unemployment worries Acre city fathers

Jerusalem Post Reporter
ACRE. — Developing unemployment here is causing great concern to the city fathers. About a hundred people are unsuccessfully looking for work at the labour exchange, and it is feared that the situation will become worse after the holidays.

Two local plants have closed down. They are the Moshé Meishak canning factory, which dismissed its 68 employees, and the Ma'as Pladot Metals Factory, which had 30 workers. In addition over 30 workers of the Steel City and Middle East Tube Factories received notice. It is expected that the City will reduce its staff from 630 to 500 after the holidays.

The Society for the Development of Galilee held an emergency meeting here Friday under its chairman, David Koren at which the mayor of Acre and labour council secretary took part. They decided to appeal to the Knesset Labour and Economics Committees.

Trade workers get pay rises

LAIFA. — Some 5,000 employees in retail and wholesale trade sectors will receive a four per cent salary increase, based on the 1976 rates, effective from 1st August, the labour council spokesman announced recently. An agreement was signed by the Retail Workers Union with the Chamber of Commerce and the General Merchants Association.

Trade employees have a separate scale. They have not benefited from a 4.75 per cent increase.

Making fur coats for export

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Over a period of 30 years Sidney Ringler had established a reputation in New York's competitive garment district as a manufacturer of high quality fashion garments. The Sidney Ringler company was doing an annual turnover in the seven figures when in 1970 its proprietor decided to retire and to move to Israel.

Already in 1968 Ringler had made a first business connection here by way of an investment in Elit's Red Rock Hotel. Shortly after his arrival together with his wife and two children — a third child was born — Ringler decided that a life of quiet retirement was not for him, but he did not wish to return to the fur business. He made investments in real estate, quarries and leather businesses. "Overall I can't complain about the outcome of my investments," he says. However, he still was not satisfied and decided to make a contribution to the country he would have to apply his many years of experience and knowledge acquired in the fur trade.

Sidney Ringler Furs, located at 135 Rehov Yehuda in Tel Aviv, is the outcome of this determination.

Before opening the shop Ringler made a trip to the U.S. to purchase skins, since none are produced here. As word spread about the imminent opening of the new fur producer, local manufacturers came to Ringler. They were so impressed with the high quality of the skins that they bought them from Ringler before he could make them up into garments.

Unemployment, inflation won't recede soon: IMF

WASHINGTON (AP). — The world economy is characterized by high employment and serious inflation in many countries and there is little likelihood of any rapid improvement, the International Monetary Fund said Sunday.

The Fund said it will require skill, patience and courage on the part of many governments to keep a situation from getting worse.

In its annual report, the IMF said unemployment "mainly to the moderate pace of output growth, which has barely offset the normal growth in the labour force in most countries. Economic growth rates are generally subnormal in a setting of high unemployment, excess plant capacity and lagging investment. Inflation is also a widespread problem," the IMF said.

The report said the U.S. has done better than most in reducing both inflation and unemployment, although the jobless rate was still high at 7.1 per cent last month. It was nine per cent during the recession.

Fears of exacerbating inflation event most nations from



Demurely clad belly dancer entertains Hilton Hotel theme party guests. (Charbit Richard)

Belly dancer at hotel theme party

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE BELLYDANCER gyrated her abdomen slowly as the guests, wearing keffiyas, leaned over the low table to get a better look.

The occasion was a "Beduin party" at the Jerusalem Hilton, the first of a series of parties with a theme which the Jerusalem and Tel Aviv Hilton hope to sell to groups coming from abroad. The Beduin party, last week, was attended by a group of ten of the club's sales managers on a special tour from the U.S. together with members of the local press and the tourism industry.

Following strictly western cocktail, the guests were ushered into a private dining room decorated with oriental hangings. As they entered, hostesses arranged keffiyas on the men and veils on the women. The long low table was spread with a multicoloured cloth on which were

placed baskets of pitta and dishes with various oriental salads. These were followed by stuffed vegetables and later by a selection of roasted and grilled meat over rice.

For drinks, there was a choice of wine in Hebron glass carafes or Arak. All the dishes were served on large platters and the guests were encouraged to help themselves.

Entertainment consisted of an oriental orchestra which also provided background music for the bellydancer, who appeared in a costume consisting mostly of sequins and chiffon. After the waiters cleared away the dishes, she danced on the table.

Other parties offered by the hotels include a market evening, at which the guests choose their food from various "market stalls," a dairy party with haystacks and live poultry, and for summer evenings, a barbecue party at the pool.

Piryon reports higher profits

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Piryon Investment Trust Co. has just issued its annual financial report for the period ending March 31, 1977. Net after-tax income came to IL1.0m. compared with IL800,000 for the year before. On the basis of current profits, the earnings per IL25 share came to 30 per cent, a two-thirds increase over last year.

The balance sheet total rose by somewhat more than a third, to IL2.2m. and investments in shares stood at IL1.6m. Equity funds of IL1.6m. represent some 98 per cent of total liabilities. This reflects the absence of any long-term debts.

The board of directors is recommending the payment of a four per cent cash dividend to holders of the quoted "B" shares, and a 120 per cent stock dividend.

The company is in the process of preparing a prospectus for a rights issue.

The financial report also clearly points out that although until recently the Eisenberg group had almost total control, it has been selling much of its shareholdings. On the basis of full dilution, the Eisenberg group's control will be reduced to 30 per cent.

Relief for dentine sufferers near

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A new dental product, developed in the U.S., is currently being tested in Israel. The study in Israel is to evaluate a new material to relieve the pain of hypersensitive dentine," explained Dr. Willard Tarbet, director of dental research of the Vick Research and Development Division of Richardson and Merrill.

Dentine is the hard tissue resembling bone which forms the chief constituent of teeth. The problem of pain arising from hypersensitive dentine is usually associated with the aging process, which leads to the receding of tissue and the exposure of root surface. The pain resulting from contact to cold and heat as well as to normal brushing of the teeth can be excruciating.

Dr. Marvin Stark, professor of operative dentistry and oral biology at the University of California, has developed special equipment which is capable of evaluating the effectiveness of the new "desensitizer" material. Prof. Stark is known to Israelis as the originator of the mobile dental clinics which have been providing each summer for the past seven years free dental service to kibbutz youngsters and underprivileged children. The new material was initially evaluated last summer in treatment provided at the mobile dental clinic here.

Last year's results proved satisfactory and if they are supported by the findings of the present study it will bring the "desensitizer" material one step closer to the market place. "The material offers fast relief to the sufferer. It can be used as a mouthwash or in paste form."

JORDAN Exploration has filed a prospectus with the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange for the issue of some IL3.2m. shares and options.

YOU LIVE in another country but would like to help Israel. How do you go about it? If you're Jewish, says the World Zionist Organization, sell your home, leave your job or liquidate your business and emigrate to the land of your fathers.

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There's a third way: open an account with Bank Leumi. In fact, Israel's largest banking institution — and one of the "big" in world banking too — spends thousands of pounds here and dollars abroad, to advertise its famous question-and-answer: "What can I do for Israel?" — Open a foreign currency account — with us and identify with Israel by strengthening it financially and economically.

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"What happens to the money in the accounts?" The Jerusalem Post asked Shv. "Do you deposit it with the Bank of Israel for eventual loan to the Treasury?"

"No indeed," replied Shv. "The foreign currency the Bank of Israel gets from us is that which our branches here buy from tourists and businessmen. The dollars, francs, marks, guilders and what have you, that we receive as foreign currency deposits, remain right with us — for use in Bank Leumi's worldwide banking network."

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The sentimental "I'm helping Israel" satisfaction you get by maintaining an account at Leumi is important, because there is no actual

How to earn interest while 'helping Israel'

By AARON SITTNER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

economic advantage in money market terms. In fact, CD's (certificate of deposit) available at American commercial banks now offer slightly higher interest than foreign currency time deposits at Bank Leumi. And CD's held with U.S. savings and loan associations frequently offer an even higher rate.

Bank Leumi's rates are the same as those offered by almost all other international banking institutions for deposits by non-residents: the so-called Euro-currency rate quoted daily in the financial tables published in certain newspapers — "Financial Times," "The Wall Street Journal," "The New York Times" and others.

Interest rates vary not only with the term of the deposit but also with the type of currency. Right now, sterling earns a higher interest than dollars for the same period of deposit. When these lines were written, a dollar deposit earning 6 1/2 per cent for a certain period in CD's was earning 6 1/2 per cent in Euro-currency pegged deposits.

A variety of accounts are available at B.L.L.'s foreign resident and tourist centre. The centre, now in cramped quarters on Rehov Lillienblum in Tel Aviv, will soon move into ultra-modern offices on Rehov Ben Yehuda corner Rehov Ben-Gurion.

For short-term savings, there are three, six and 12-month time deposits. For the longer term — two to five years — the plans include: (a) a fixed rate of interest for five years — at present this is 7 1/2 per cent; (b) a floating rate of interest one-quarter of a per cent above the "offering" level of current Euro-currency rates. This level is adjusted every six months; (c) five-year B.L.L. debentures with a "floor" of 6 1/2 per cent, but adjusted to 1/2 per cent above the Euro-currency "offering" rate; and (d) fixed rate debentures convertible to Bank Leumi shares.

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Technically at least, deposits in the American-based branches are safer in that they are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. This means that if — Heaven forbid! — Bank Leumi should fail, depositors there are at least insured by the FDIC. (In Israel, Bank Leumi, with Bank Hapoalim and Bank Discount, have for years successfully staved off Knesset enactment of a Savings Deposit Insurance Law. As a result, the Israeli Government is indirectly responsible for the financial stability of these banks.)

"Safety of deposit funds must be understood in its true perspective," Shv. told The Post. "Swiss banks are known the world over as the best

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"Incidentally, besides the usual banking services such as deposits, letters of credit and foreign currency loans, I also offer advisory services free of charge to anybody — customer or not — about the Israeli economy."

"If anybody, anywhere in the world, wants to know something about buying property in Israel or doing business here, he can call me at 03-51831. I'll do my best to answer his question. Who knows? Some day he may open an account with us!"

New savings scheme for higher education

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The United Mizrahi Bank has initiated a new savings scheme — for academic study. Parents will be able to save up to IL15,000 for each of their children.

The capital and interest are fully linked from the end of the third year of the deposit. Parents must, however, start saving before their children have reached the age of 18. This means that the best time for starting to save is shortly before a youngster goes into the service, so that the savings become available, with full linkage, by the time he is released and can start his post-secondary studies.

Sailors to deduct per diem payments

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Seamen will be able to deduct per diem payments from their assessable income, retroactively for the entire period since the income tax reform of 1975. This emerges from a letter sent by the Finance Minister to the chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee, in which he asks for an amendment of the relevant tax ordinances.

ABRIDGED ACCOUNTS OF LONDON GUARANTEE AND REINSURANCE COMPANY LTD. (LONDON)

A. ACCOUNTS OF HEAD OFFICE

ABRIDGED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31.12.1976

	£	Preceding Year		£	Preceding Year
Capital and Reserves	14,127,000	8,308,000	Investments	9,825,000	6,216,000
General Insurance Fund	14,355,000	8,219,000	Fixed Assets	60,000	60,000
Other Liabilities	14,062,000	9,228,000	Other Assets	22,580,000	14,564,000
	32,574,000	20,749,000		32,574,000	20,749,000

PARTICULARS CONCERNING INSURANCE BUSINESS AND PROFITS FOR THE YEAR 1976

	£	Preceding Year
Premiums in General Insurance	17,623,000	10,999,000
Loss in General Insurance	743,000	371,000
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	1,633,000	860,000
Profit before Appropriations	890,000	469,000

B. ISRAEL BUSINESS

INSURANCE BUSINESS AND PROFITS FOR THE YEAR 1976

	IL	Preceding Year
Premiums and Registration Fees in General Insurance	1,740,763	1,897,025
(Loss) Profit in General Insurance	(505,188)	148,019
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	12,793	(555)
Net (Loss) Profit	(492,395)	141,463

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES IN ISRAEL AS AT 31.12.1976

	IL	Preceding Year
Liabilities in Israel	896,000	519,800
Approved Investments in Israel	681,000	684,000
(Surplus) Surplus	(315,000)	165,000
Unapproved Investments in Israel	209,000	389,000

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Crime commission still needed

THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR, Dr. Yosef Burg, has undertaken to submit to next Sunday's Cabinet session his recommendations on the sort of commission of inquiry which is to investigate the world of crime and the effectiveness of the police in combating it.

The choice is between a judicial commission, along the lines of the Agranat Commission, which is empowered to subpoena witnesses; or an internal committee along the lines of the recent Asher Committee which is appointed by the Minister and does not have the power to subpoena witnesses.

It has been reported that Dr. Burg prefers the latter type of commission primarily because of the relative speed with which it can conclude its investigation and submit its findings. Dr. Burg has spoken of wanting such recommendations within two months, presumably in time for the government's decision on the allocation of next year's budget.

It is understood that the Attorney General has hinted that he would prefer a judicial commission but in his report to last Sunday's Cabinet meeting he pointed to two major drawbacks of this form: under the law it must hold all its sessions in public (only security and considerations of relations with foreign states justify making its sessions secret); and, the right of witnesses, afraid of possible self-incrimination, to be represented by counsel.

The difficulties are obvious: open sessions would make it impossible to accept testimony on police intelligence methods and other matters best kept secret from the criminal underworld. Moreover the involvement of lawyers causes the cumbersome procedure of such commissions and lengthens their sessions for many months, witness the Agranat Commission and the Wilton Commission of Netivei Neft.

The dilemma is clear but the way out of it is not to forgo the in-depth investigation which can only be provided by a commission empowered to subpoena witnesses. The alternative being considered, that of an internal commission, will in all likelihood restrict itself to questions of the organization of the police force and the size of the budgets to be allocated to its crime-fighting effort.

While these goals are important they are far from addressing the problem of proliferating crime in its entirety. It is not simply a matter of studying the *modus operandi* of Israel's criminals and the best ways of fighting them. This is something the police themselves should be best qualified to determine.

One of the questions to investigate is why the police have not done so and why successive governments have failed to assign the proper importance to such efforts. These are questions which touch on the issue of the public's confidence in its police force. The Bochner report has admitted that such confidence is at an all time low; an internal commission will not restore it.

But besides the question of public confidence there are many questions which require rethinking now that crime has become such a central problem.

Is our criminal law procedure so meticulous that it is weighted in favour of criminals and against the forces of the law? And, if so, what can be done to change these procedures without unnecessarily weakening the legal rights of honest citizens?

Is there much point to locking up convicted criminals in jails, when it seems that the major effect is to finally confirm first time young offenders in a lifetime of crime? What then are the alternatives for correction and for punishment?

What can be done to prevent a growing number of young people from falling into a life of crime? Obviously, what we have been doing in this regard to date has not been very productive.

How should the police be organized to fight crime? Would it perhaps be preferable to locate the police in the Ministry of Justice rather than in the Ministry of Interior?

These and many others are questions which are beyond the powers of an internal commission to investigate; but they, rather than the relatively simple questions of budget and manpower, are the gist of the problem of crime-fighting.

What is needed, therefore, is a rapid amendment of the Commissions of Inquiry Law and the appointment of a standing panel to investigate all these questions for as long as it takes. This should not preclude the appointment of an internal commission in the interim for the specific questions of budget and internal police organization for which a quick answer is needed.

POSTSCRIPTS

ON CHRISTMAS EVE, 1941, the parents of Alfred Winkler were murdered at the Mauthausen concentration camp. Their crime: hiding a Jewish family in their home in Leipzig. Now, 36 years later, Alfred Winkler has completed a life-long dream: a pilgrimage to Jerusalem in the memory of his parents and "for the peace of mankind." For seven months he walked from his home in Bavaria



Alfred Winkler

through Austria, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Syria, and Jordan, bearing a 1.5 metre, 7 kilogram cross. He arrived in Jerusalem at the end of August and the cross will find its resting place in the care of Father Mertens, of the Second Station of the Via Dolorosa.

ACRE's Turkish Citadel, site of the spectacular prison-break by pre-state underground fighters and made famous by Otto Preminger when he re-staged the action there for his film "Exodus," has long attracted tourists to its freedom-fighter museum. But visitors have also been distressed to find that the ancient building houses a mental institution. This week, however, Health Minister Eliezer Shostak announced that the latter facility will be closed, and that the patients in the "disgraceful" quarters will be moved to a new home next spring. Y.D.

THIRTY of Eilat's high school students are studying English harder than ever before and for a good reason. The youngsters are in the 11th grade Tourism Class, which started its curriculum last year, and whose work has so impressed Twickenham Travel of England that the travel agency is giving them a free study trip to London at the end of October.

The idea came to tourism promoter Rafi Caplan, who has been distressed by the prevalence of Greek, Cypriot and Arab employees at Eilat's hotels. "I thought it was a shame that there were not more Eilat staff," Caplan told The Post. "And when I discovered that there is a tourism class in the high school I got the idea of inviting them to London to see what real tourism means."

The youngsters, who will be going to London in groups of 8 for two to three weeks, will stay with Jewish families — all arranged by Rafi Caplan. During their stay they will visit hotels, travel agencies, airlines, see the sights — and, says Rafi, be interviewed on radio and T.V. so that they can do their share in promoting tourism to Eilat. S.Z.

MOROGO ABAP KAPKIYAI of P.O.B. 360, Kapasabet, Kenya, would like to get in touch with his former penfriends in Israel, whose address he has lost.

THE RESULTS of the research undertaken by Professors Micha Chen and Haim Adler, into the intermediate school reform have only just been published in summary form — the full report will not come out for a few months yet — but for several weeks now the results have already been used as ammunition by both sides in a battle royal over the reform and, to some extent, social integration in the schools.

Attempts to open new integrated intermediate schools this year in the Tel Aviv region have largely failed, according to both senior Education Ministry officials and school principals. At the Gymnasia Herzliya, the concerted attempts of Mayor Shlomo Lahat and the police failed to get parents from the Tel Nordau elementary school to send their children to the new intermediate school. The reform scene, in Tel Aviv at least, was described by one Ministry official last week as "deteriorating rapidly."

Dr. Yael Posner is the director of school administration at the Ministry and has been closely connected with the reform since it was dreamed up — and bulldozed over considerable internal opposition — by the much revered Minister of Education, the late Zolman Aranne. Dr. Posner says she has no doubt whatsoever that the report does not prove that the reform has failed. She bases this both on her own reading of some of the findings and on her constant contacts with its two authors.

Dr. Shalom Levin, the secretary-general of the Teachers' Union, who led the battle against Zolman Aranne 10 years ago, and has actively studied the reform ever since, has also been privy to the findings of the report and has also had conversations recently with both professors. According to him, the intermediate school reform is "a fraud" and has not lived up to either its educational or its social expectations.

DR. POSNER admits that she brought up her own children over 30 years ago, "when things were very different and parents trusted the schools." Today, parents see their involvement in their children's education as their "right and duty." While this has its very positive aspects, she believes that it has also led them to take the law into their own hands, as school disturbances

A battle royal is now raging over the school reform initiated a decade ago by the late Education Minister Zolman Aranne.

and strikes this year have indicated. They are also very impatient, and in general, "the Jewish people want quick answers for everything."

She says that since the reform only started in earnest eight years ago, it is still too early to make a proper evaluation of the achievements of today's intermediate school pupils and compare them either with their peers who are learning at elementary schools, or with those who went on to secondary school in the usual way.

She suggests that parental opposition, which often expresses itself in arguments about the inadvisability of leaving elementary school at the age of 12 or of making two radical changes in a child's school life instead of one, are actually veiled expressions of ethnic prejudice. The better-off parents are really opposed to mixing their children with those of the disadvantaged, while the disadvantaged themselves — as events in Tel Aviv last week indicated — feel rejected and insulted by North Tel Aviv children and have also refused to mix.

Dr. Posner admits that nobody in Israel — or anywhere else for that matter — yet knows either at what age children can be most successfully integrated or how to train teachers to handle integrated classes. Nor does anybody know the correct ratio of advantaged-disadvantaged in the classroom. The familiar figure of 80 advantaged to 20 disadvantaged is usually banded around is only the figure that most teachers find reasonably comfortable to work with.

She herself believes that integration "can work with as little as a third of advantaged pupils," that age 12 is a better age to integrate children at than age six, "because children become more rational as they grow older, and don't express prejudice so openly."

WHILE HE WAS NOT willing to divulge the results of his report, Prof. Adler did say last week that his findings do not indicate that the

Education reporter SUSAN BELLOS seeks to find out what it is all about.

reform has failed. There were, for example, some very positive findings, such as a three per cent increase in achievement by pupils who went on to secondary school from an intermediate level as compared to pupils who studied in the regular system. Although the reform "may not live up to some of the naive hopes of its initiators," he denied emphatically that it can be regarded as a failure.

Dr. Shalom Levin, a former Knesset Member (Alignment), is an active opponent of the reform and makes no bones about it, but he stresses that this is a matter for educational and not professional reasons.

Indeed, elementary school teachers who have gone into the intermediate schools have actually done better, for themselves, because they get the same pay for less hours. The intermediate school, he maintains, weakens the elementary school; but most important of all, "they say that it hasn't failed and I say that they haven't proved that it's succeeded either."

Both Dr. Posner and Prof. Adler have said that the reform has already achieved some important social achievements. Dr. Levin finds this "absurd" in view of the fact that "50 per cent of all intermediate schools are homogeneous anyway."

Dr. Levin is not the only one to point out that since only 37 per cent of all children in the 7th-9th grade age group are actually in intermediate schools, it is difficult to assess the social achievements of half of that sub-group.

There are all sorts of different kinds of intermediate schools, he says. There is the totally homogeneous disadvantaged school in Jaffa and Dr. Yehuda, and there is the kind of integration at the Haifa Real School's intermediate division.

Where along with other prestigious secondary schools, much more flexible criteria have been employed in deciding just which disadvantaged children and how many are admitted.

only natural that a second principal will give priority children he expects to start 10th, 11th and 12th grades

SHALOM LEVIN denies a view that he is opposed to inter-racial social integration, "at kindergarten grade, where it is most natural."

He stresses that for him, integration is an end in itself, means to educational ends. And in order to integrate fully (there are not, sadly, examples of this yet in Israel) children must be integrated first. If disadvantaged children are not properly integrated in their early physical meeting in the schools may actually be

IT IS NO SECRET that Minister Zolman Aranne is to re-evaluate the make appropriate changes in the research report.

It is also no secret Hammer is wary of the issue of social integration applies to State Religious which his National Religious is committed. Some 70-75 pupils in those schools, a Hammer's own reckoning, are advantaged, and it would be, at least arithmetical integration seriously to

Many different groups butniks and rich moslems Orthodox, have been at fights over school integration since the school year began ago.

Nobody, it appears, is integration for his own. There are, perhaps, of achieving integration quite a different thing wanted by children more, and doing better a it is to be hoped that, if it is to be ditched social integration, not be thrown out with

Two weeks ago, the former minister of education, the Knesset Committee, said: "Important social goal of striving for even if the youngest children in a secondary school complex. Furthermore, 'it's

READERS' LETTERS

MESSIANIC JEWS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We write to you on the matter of our Jewish friend, Eileen Dorfinger, whose status as an immigrant is being questioned because of her belief in Jesus as the Messiah of the Jews. We regret this very much and feel that it would be a great loss for Israel if the Messianic Jews should be excluded from their country.

According to the 1950 Law of Return, every Jew is granted the right to immigrate to Israel. Discrimination against Eileen Dorfinger would go against the Jewish faith and all the values Israel stands for.

During the last year we have lived in Israel. As Christians, we believe in the prophecies of the Old Testament and in their fulfillment in our days. The year in Israel has taught us much about the Jewishness of our faith. This resulted in a great love and respect for the nation of Israel.

W. MULLER
J. N. MULLER

Fjerdingsby, Norway

THE PRICE OF COFFEE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Mrs. Kesten's letter (August 25) stems from ignorance of the facts of price policy enforced by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry on a long list of consumer goods including instant coffee.

The principle underlying the authorities' system of price-fixing and price-control is based on the actual cost of the raw materials held by us in stock or in the pipe line.

If these stocks were purchased when the commodity market was depressed, then the retail price is kept accordingly low, and vice versa.

This is why the Israeli consumer benefited at the end of 1976 and in the first quarter of 1977 from relatively low prices for instant coffee, long after the European and American consumer paid a much higher price. Understandably the process is now reversed.

DAVID MOSEVICS
Deputy Managing Director of Elite Ramat Gan.

THE ALIYA RUN-AROUND

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We were more than a bit surprised to read Paltiel Roodyn's letter in The Post of August 31. Our offices were in contact with him several times during his recent visit to Israel and we are unable to understand the tone and contents of his letter.

On July 20, Adele Perlov of the British Desk received a letter from him informing us that he was coming on a private pilot tour and would be in Jerusalem from July 27 until August 3. On July 27, she rang him at his hotel, but he hadn't checked in yet. She phoned again on July 28 and as he and his family were out, she left a message. He rang her back on July 31 and she arranged for him to come and see her the following day.

Mr. Roodyn, however, rang her on the morning of August 1 to say that he had been sent from office to office and therefore didn't wish to "waste any more" of his time coming to her office. She tried to ascertain just what offices he had visited, but to no avail.

During this conversation, Mr. Roodyn said that he would like to see the Mevasseret Zion Absorption Centre. He was advised to phone the

Tour Ve'Aliyah Office in Jerusalem who would arrange this for him.

A few days later, the Tour Ve'Aliyah representative phoned the British Desk to complain that a group of 40 people had waited for Mr. Roodyn for 20 minutes at the Plaza Hotel; he never came, nor did he call to cancel.

The Jerusalem Office of the British Zionist Federation also complained to us about the behaviour of this gentleman. He went to their office and expressed a desire to visit Carmel. An appointment was arranged for him, some days later. Adele Perlov received a call from the B.Z.F. office complaining bitterly that Mr. Roodyn did not keep the appointment in Carmel, nor did he bother to cancel it.

It is most unfortunate that Mr. Roodyn feels that officials are "defeated by their own organizations." We question, though, how he can possibly know how effective any of the organizations are, since he did not keep the appointments made for him by any of them.

MICHAEL COHEN,
Spokesman,
Department of Immigration and Absorption,
The Jewish Agency
Jerusalem.

HAIFA EGGED SERVICE...AND ELSEWHERE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Being one of those who endure the misery of Egged "service" at Haifa, I heartily applaud Ya'acov Ardon's article, "At the mercy of Egged" (August 25). I am sure that passengers on all lines in Haifa are subjected to some suffering, but I mention here my own experiences with one of the worst buses, the No. 42 which makes the trip through Hadar and the Lower Town to and from Bat Galim where the Government Hospital and sea-bathing facilities are located. The No. 42 used to run at intervals of 10 minutes. Now there is no apparent time-table, and one has often to wait at the stop as much as 25 minutes. Travel time is also unforseeable because of the crowds waiting for the bus.

It is indeed high time that the Ministry of Transport imposes the necessary improvements.

J. GERIF
Haifa.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The article telling of the tortures experienced by a member of your staff on Egged buses (September 1) was not only an excellent piece of reporting but, I hope, points out to the Ministry of Transport the long overdue need to allow competition instead of exclusiveness as Egged enjoys now.

Changes can only be made if Government and Knesset members are brave and smart enough to vote a bus price in a while — and perhaps save gas and be patriotic.

A.I. HERBERBERG
Givatayim.

THE HOBEV REPORT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a relatively new immigrant, I feel that the Hovev Committee's recommendation for the establishment of a new aliyah and absorption authority to replace the Absorption Ministry and the Jewish Agency's Department of Immigration, is not a bad idea. However, it does not exactly solve the core problem, which is not sponsorship but basic service.

At present, the immigrant is bewildered when he is sent around to 10 different places in a strange city in order to apply for housing and employment, exchange his driver's license, arrange customs, join a health plan, borrow his bed and kitchen utensils, etc. All of these functions can be concentrated in one office with a desk for each ministry representative, on loan to the absorption authority.

Such centralisation would lead the exposed civil service people to act in a more civil manner and to render better service than heretofore. Thus, much time and unnecessary grief would be saved newcomers.

To make a jurisdictional matter out of the absorption problem, as Messrs. Dulzin and Levy have been doing, is to dodge the real issue of service and to view the Hovev Report as a step sideways instead of forward, as far as immigrants are concerned.

BLAZAR GOELMAN
Jerusalem.

LAW FOR THE LAYMAN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I feel I must thank Doris Lankin for the interesting law reports which she has supplied to The Post over the years. I am very sorry that they have come to an end — even for a layman like myself, I nearly always found something of interest.

I welcome her new column, which has, I think, got off to a good start.

JOYCE WHITE
Haifa.

THE BENE OF TOURS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am an amateur about the Beechcraft M. view concerning the tourism for Israel (Aug. 14) belong to the 20th century fostering tourist first of all, opening a tourism office?

As an inhabitant of a country that fights for tourism — and through Europe, I can Navi that he is doing for Israel. Let him learn it.

Nahariya.

DIESEL C

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have been to times and during my June, I heard again engines are not allowed cars, but only in fact because of the pollution diesel fuel.

As a matter of fact creates less pollution petrol. Moreover, co about 30 to 40 per cent means a great savings currency spent on more, a diesel engine long as an ordinary represents a further saving.

In most parts of the and governments are a facts, and more and being built with the Peugeot, Volkswagen Datsun, Citroen and others almost 30 per cent with diesel engines. At companies are not even engines, or planning such as General Motors, Volvo, etc.

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